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SUBJ: ALLEGED MILITARY PLOT AGAINST GOP

REF: LAHORE 331 NOTAL

SUMMARY: GOP HAS ANNOUNCED ARREST OF 20 ARMY OFFICERS, TWO RETIRED OFFICERS AND TWO CIVILIANS ACCUSED OF ATTEMPTING SUBVERT MILITARY PERSONNEL AGAINST GOVERNMENT. RETIRED OFFICERS ALLEGEDLY IMPLICATED IN EARLIER DEC 1971 PLOT. INVESTIGATION BEING UNDERTAKEN BY MILITARY INTELLIGENCE. END SUMMARY.

1. EMBASSY HAS LITTLE INFORMATION ON ALLEGED MILITARY PLOT MENTIONED REFTEL. MINISTRY OF DEFENSE ISSUED FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT MARCH 30, CARRIED IN ALL LOCAL NEWS MEDIA: " INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT A SMALL GROUP OF MILITARY OFFICERS, INCLUDING TWO ARMY OFFICERS WHO WERE RETIRED LAST YEAR, HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES DIRECTED TOWARDS THE SEDUCING OR ATTEMPTING TO SEDUCE CERTAIN MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM THEIR DUTY OR ALLEGIANCE TO GOVERNMENT.

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THESE OFFICERS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED AND WILL BE DEALT WITH BY A COURT MARTIAL UNDER THE PAKISTAN ARMY ACT OF 1952.

IN THIS CONNECTION, REPORTS HAVE ALSO BEEN RECEIVED OF SIMILAR ACTIVITIES OF SOME CIVILIANS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GROUP. THEY HAVE BEEN DETAINED UNDER THE DEFENCE OF PAKISTAN RULES SO AS TO PREVENT THEM FROM ACTING IN A MANNER PREJUDICIAL TO HOWER BLVD. AND THE OTHER IS LABANIAT PAK CORP. AT GOODRICH HE WILL VISIT JOHN FORMEL, PLANT MGR., WHO HAS BEEN CONTACTED ABOUT MCHUGH'S VISIT BY MR. LYNN, AREA DIRECTOR AT GOODRICH PLANT IN U. S. PLANT IS 57 PERCENT OWNED BY GOODRICH AND 43 PERCENT BY IRANIANS. AT PRESENT WE ARE CARRYING \$630,000 OF INSURANCE ON PLANT. THE CONTRACT WAS ISSUED IN 1965 AND WILL TERMINATE IN 1988.

3. AT LABANIAT PAK CORP. HE WILL VISIT FRANK FISHER, MGR. DIRECTOR, WHO HAS BEEN CONTACTED ABOUT HIS VISIT BY J. C. KLACZYNSKI, ASSIST. SECRETARY OF INTERNATIONAL DAIRY ENGINEERING, THE U. S. PARTNER IN THE FIRM WHICH OWNS 51 PERCENT OF THE OPERATION. AT PRESENT WE HAVE FOUR SEPARATE CONTRACTS FOR BOTH INCONVERTIBILITY AND EXPROPRIATION INSURANCE COVERAGE. UNDERSTAND EXPANSION NOW UNDER WAY WHICH ALSO WILL BE OPIC-INSURED. IF YOU BELIEVE THERE ARE OTHER OPIC PROJECTS OF IMPORTANCE, PLEASE MAKE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MCHUGH TO VISIT. REQUEST THAT EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE ACCOMPANY MR. MCHUGH TO VISIT PROJECT SITES BY MEMBER OF YOUR STAFF KNOWLEDGEABLE IN OPIC'S OPERATIONS. MCHUGH WILL BE STAYING AT HOTEL INTERNATIONAL. ARRIVING TEHRAN QANTAS, FLIGHT 753 AT 0430 HRS. RUSH

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